



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE INDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

JOINT RESOLUTION 17-02-140-16

A JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE DISENROLLMENT OF [REDACTED] DOB: [REDACTED]

- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly (“Band Assembly”) is the duly-elected governing body of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe (“Band”), a federally-recognized Indian Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to 3 MLBSA § 2 (a) and (d), the Band Assembly has the power to enact laws which regulate internal and external affairs of the Band in order to promote the general welfare of the people of the Band, and to adopt resolutions; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to 4 MLBSA § 6, the Chief Executive has the power to exercise the executive powers of Band government; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and the Chief Executive have established as a priority the improvement of the spiritual, physical, mental, social, and economic wellbeing of the people of the Band; and
- WHEREAS, the Band’s membership determinations have uniformly been recognized as an exercise of the fundamental attribute of Tribal Sovereignty to verify its own membership; and
- WHEREAS, as an attribute of its inherent sovereign authority the Band continues to regulate its internal and social relationships, including determining which persons are considered members of the Band; and
- WHEREAS, the Band’s Enrollment office sent a letter of notice to initiate disenrollment of [REDACTED], who was dually enrolled under error, DOB: [REDACTED], MLB Enrollment [REDACTED] disenrollment proceedings initiated under MCT Ordinance #9 on August 16, 2016, with a deadline of September 14, 2016 to appeal; and
- WHEREAS, MCT Ordinance #9 (1983) requires that “[w]hen any enrolled member of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe is found to not be eligible for enrollment pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and was enrolled due to false information or error, or has membership in another tribe,” disenrollment proceedings against that individual must commence under the Ordinance; and

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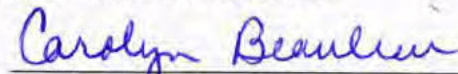
WHEREAS, [REDACTED] did not file a formal appeal to Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and will surrender her rights, title and interests and will not have any affiliation with the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, and

WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe will dis-enroll Keshena Leigh Lyons.


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Band does hereby officially dis-enroll [REDACTED] from the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe's tribal membership and that [REDACTED] name be removed from the rolls of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and identification number [REDACTED] be deleted from the basic member roll.

WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a regular session of the Band Assembly in Legislative Council assembled, a quorum of legislators being present, held on the 27th day of September, 2016 at Nayahshing, Minnesota by a vote of 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 SILENT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the Band Assembly hereunto cause to have set the signature of the Speaker of the Assembly to be affixed to this resolution and forwarded to the Chief Executive for Concurrence.


Carolyn Beaulieu, Speaker of the Assembly

IN CONCURRENCE, with the action of the Speaker of the Assembly, I, hereunto set my hand to this resolution.


Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive

OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND